



# Building the foundations of luxury living with Yanmar CE

*CM Plant Hire is reshaping Warwickshire's historic Alveston village with the help of Yanmar's versatile SV19VT mini excavator. Owner Chris Meek is delivering high-quality groundwork and landscaping for a £4 million luxury development that blends modern elegance with timeless charm.*

Nestled in the charming village of Alveston, Warwickshire, Chris Meek of CM Plant Hire is crafting the groundwork for a £4 million+ suburban development that balances modern luxury with the timeless character of its surroundings. The project, which includes three high-end properties, relies on Yanmar machinery, particularly the versatile SV19VT mini excavator, to meet its complex demands.

## **Modern elegance in a historic setting**

Alveston, known for its blend of historical charm and contemporary living, sets the stage for this ambitious project. Just a stone's throw from the iconic River Avon and surrounded by verdant countryside, the development features standout designs, including a state-of-the-art property with floor-to-ceiling windows, expansive patios, and intricate landscaping.

Chris Meek's expertise is shaping every detail of the project. From laying 200 linear meters of drainage piping to preparing 150 tonnes of stone for an intricately designed patio and garden, his work seamlessly combines structural precision with aesthetic appeal. The SV19VT mini excavator, a cornerstone of his operations, enables Chris to work efficiently in tight residential spaces while delivering the power of a larger machine.

"The SV19VT is a game-changer," says Chris. "Its compact size and impressive power make it perfect for projects like this, where space and versatility are key. Its versatility allows us to execute tasks ranging from excavation to detailed landscaping with ease."

The SV19VT is a compact yet powerful mini excavator, designed for maneuvering in tight job sites. Weighing between 1,880 kg (canopy) and 1,970 kg (cabin), it features a transport length of 3,620 mm and an adjustable undercarriage width ranging from 980 mm to 1,320 mm, ensuring easy transport and access to confined spaces. Equipped with a Stage V-compliant 3TNV76-QBVA engine that delivers 13.1 kW at 2,100 rpm, the SV19VT offers impressive performance, including a digging force of 11.4 kN (short arm) and 16.7 kN (bucket). Its versatility and reliability have made it an indispensable asset in Chris's daily operations.

## **Adapting to diverse architectural styles**

Chris' work in Alveston exemplifies his ability to navigate a range of architectural styles. In addition to the cutting-edge design of the current property, his recent projects include the restoration of an 1860s home complete with a newly installed tennis court. Yanmar's advanced



attachments, such as the tilt rotator, have proven essential in tackling these varied tasks, from precise fencing placement to clearing six-meter-high overgrown brambles with a flail mower attachment.

“Yanmar machines provide the adaptability I need to move seamlessly between modern and traditional projects,” Chris notes. “Their reliability and functionality allow me to meet the unique needs of every client.”

### **A longstanding partnership with Yanmar**

Chris has been a loyal Yanmar customer since 2009, a relationship bolstered by the support of local dealer Johnston Plant, situated in Wolverhampton. “Richard and his team at Johnston Plant are always there when I need them,” Chris shares. “They keep me running smoothly with parts and service that minimise downtime.”

Yanmar CE’s commitment to listening to customer feedback has also strengthened the partnership, explains Chris; who was recently selected to test Yanmar’s latest electric range. He has on many occasions been contacted by Yanmar to provide his insights on improving machine functionality – feedback that has recently contributed to the interior ergonomic redesign of newer Yanmar CE models.

As Chris pushes forward in this recent development, Yanmar machinery remains an essential partner, consistently meeting the project’s complex demands with precision and reliability. The SV19VT’s advanced design and adaptability enable Chris to achieve the high standards required for modern construction, transforming ambitious visions into reality. Together, CM Plant Hire and Yanmar are reshaping the landscape of Alveston; while setting a benchmark for excellence in contemporary residential development across Warwickshire and beyond.

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